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FORT LEE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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News: Community Meeting Explores Changes to Policy

The reinstatement of an Army policy governing how its temporary duty students are paid for lodging and meals while attending the Army Logistics University and other advance military courses here was the subject of a special public meeting Monday night in the multi-purpose room at the ALU.

About 80 representatives of hotels and apartment complexes in the local area, as well as numerous community leaders, attended the briefing that was conducted by Col. Rodney D. Edge, U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Lee commander. The topic of discussion was the installation's Feb. 1 reinstatement of the Institutional Training Directed Lodging and Meal Policy.

Representatives from the Department of Army, the Army Chief of Staff for Installation Management and the garrison answered questions about the standards required for the Lodging Success Program and the contracting process involved, and they provided information on how apartment and hotel owners can list their services on the Department of Defense Automated Housing Referral Network.

Under ITDLMP, actual lodging costs are paid through a centralized billing program rather than the Army paying a usually higher per diem amount to Soldiers who, in turn, had to file reimbursement claims and repay the debts accumulated on government credit cards. It also specifies where Soldiers can be billeted – either Army lodging on post or, if those facilities are booked to capacity, in one of the contracted Lodging Success Program hotels near the post.

"We actually launched the centralized billing program (under another name) here in 2002, and it continued through 2008," the garrison commander explained.

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Off Duty In the Community



Chili Cook-Off For Kids Continues Lee Cooking Spree

VCU Basketball Features Fort Lee Heroes

Registration Open for Popular Richmond Race

Discover, Celebrate Black History

Submit your event information to sarah.r.gauvin.civ@mail.mil to be featured.



Upcoming Tours:



Culinary Competition: through Mar. 7
Bon Secours: Mar. 5
Third Thursday: Mar. 15
Girl Scout Troop #247: Mar. 17
N.B. Clements Military Peers: Mar. 30

Fort Lee Ceremonies & Special Events



37th Annual Military Culinary Arts Competition, Post Field House, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., through Mar. 7

National Prayer Breakfast, Lee Club, 6:30 a.m., Mar. 16

Memory Garden Ribbon Cutting, ACS, 2 p.m., Mar. 16

St. Pattylympics, 2 p.m., Mar. 17, Sports Zone.

Women's History Month Event, featuring BG Bingham and 10 female General Officers, at US Army Women's Museum, 1:30 p.m., Mar. 22

FMWR Travel Show, the Sports Zone, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Mar. 29

Fort Lee in the Community



Music In Our Schools: The 392nd Army Band will visit 21 schools and more than 10,600 students in March for Music In Our Schools.

Hopwell High School & 392nd Army Band Jazz Concert, Hopewell High School, 7 p.m., Mar. 20.

Traveller Articles of Interest



Cooking Frenzy: Military Chefs Compete for Title

530th CSSB Takes Over From Provisional Unit

Heart Attack: Lee Spouse Shares Story

Ultimate Food Fight Starts This Month

Fort Lee Athletes Eligible for Team Chesterfield

DoD Releases Fiscal 2013 Budget Proposal

DoD Opens More Military Jobs to Women

Lee Volunteer Chosen Teacher of the Year by VFW

108th QM Co. Prepares for Deployment

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